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FM AMEMBASSY SUVA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3330

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DEPT PASS ACTION USDA BELTSVILLE FOR DR. ROBERT PERDUE

E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: OGEN FJ

SUBJ: USDA SHIPMENT TO FIJI

REF: STATE 91155

1. REFTEL REFERS TO ONE BOX OF FIELD SUPPLIES FOR USE IN COLLECTION OF PLANTS. WHEN CABLE RECEIVED ON MAY 6 MRS. SIWATIBAU WAS INFORMED AND EMBASSY ASSUMED MATTER WAS SETTLED.

2. EMBASSY INFORMED AUGUST 26 THAT BOX AND TWO OTHERS, ALSO CONTAINING FIELD SUPPLIES, BEING HELD BY CUSTOMS WITH CHARGES THAT NOW TOTAL US DOLS 165.42.

3. BECAUSE SHIPMENT WAS FROM USG AGENCY, EMBASSY ACCEPTED THREE CARTONS (ALTHOUGH WE HAVE NOT RPT NOT YET PAID CHARGES). SINCE EMBASSY UNAWARE OF SHIPMENT EXCEPT FOR INFO CONTAINED IN REFTEL, WE HAVE BEEN ATTEMPTING SORT OUT MATTER. APPARENTLY UNIV OF SOUTH PACIFIC DECIDED NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN PROGRAM AND REFUSES TO ACCEPT SHIPMENT. ALTHOUGH WE HAVE NOT RPT NOT ASKED CUSTOMS IF THEY WILL TAKE THEM BACK AND AUCTION THEM OFF, IT IS HIGHLY DOUBTFUL THAT THEY WOULD AGREE TO DO SO SINCE BOXES ARE NOW PHYSICALLY IN EMBASSY.

4. REQUEST USDA PROVIDE EMBASSY WITH FUNDS TO PAY CUSTOMS CHARGES AND ALSO INFORM EMBASSY WHAT DISPOSITION IT WISHES TO MAKE OF CARTONS.

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